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Presentation

- **Circle or Pie**
 - Holistic and Realistic
- **Attitudes**
 - Ours and Theirs
- **Solutions**
 - Case Studies
- **Opinions**
 - Mine
- **Questions**
 - Anytime

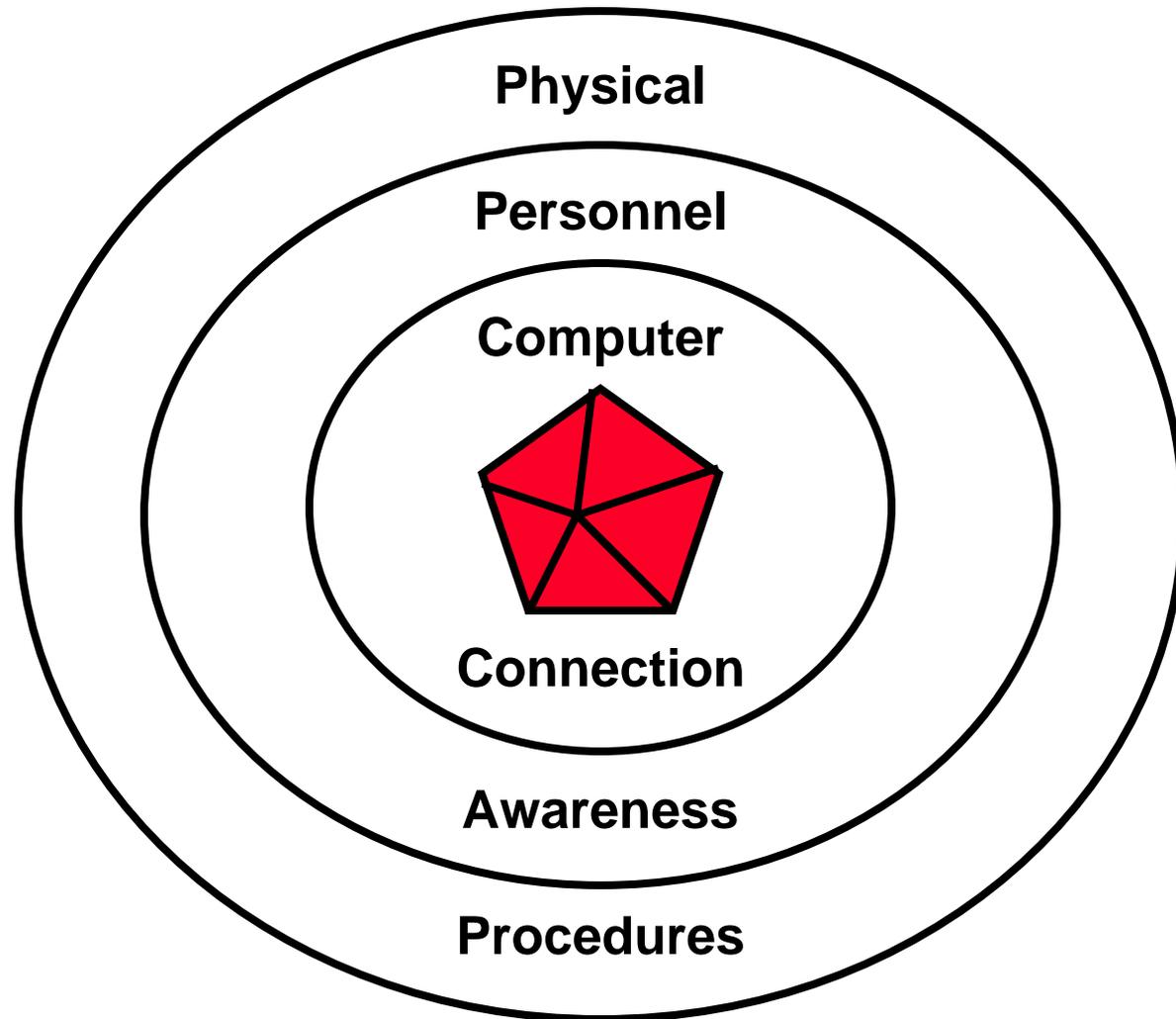
Where can . . .

- **Insider is a greater threat than outsiders**
- **A cup of coffee save you \$10,000 - \$50,000/hour**
- **Solve all security problems with one solution - firewall or PKI or**
- **A six-pack beer cooler replace a \$4,000 fire-proof safe**
- **Common sense can be replaced by technology**

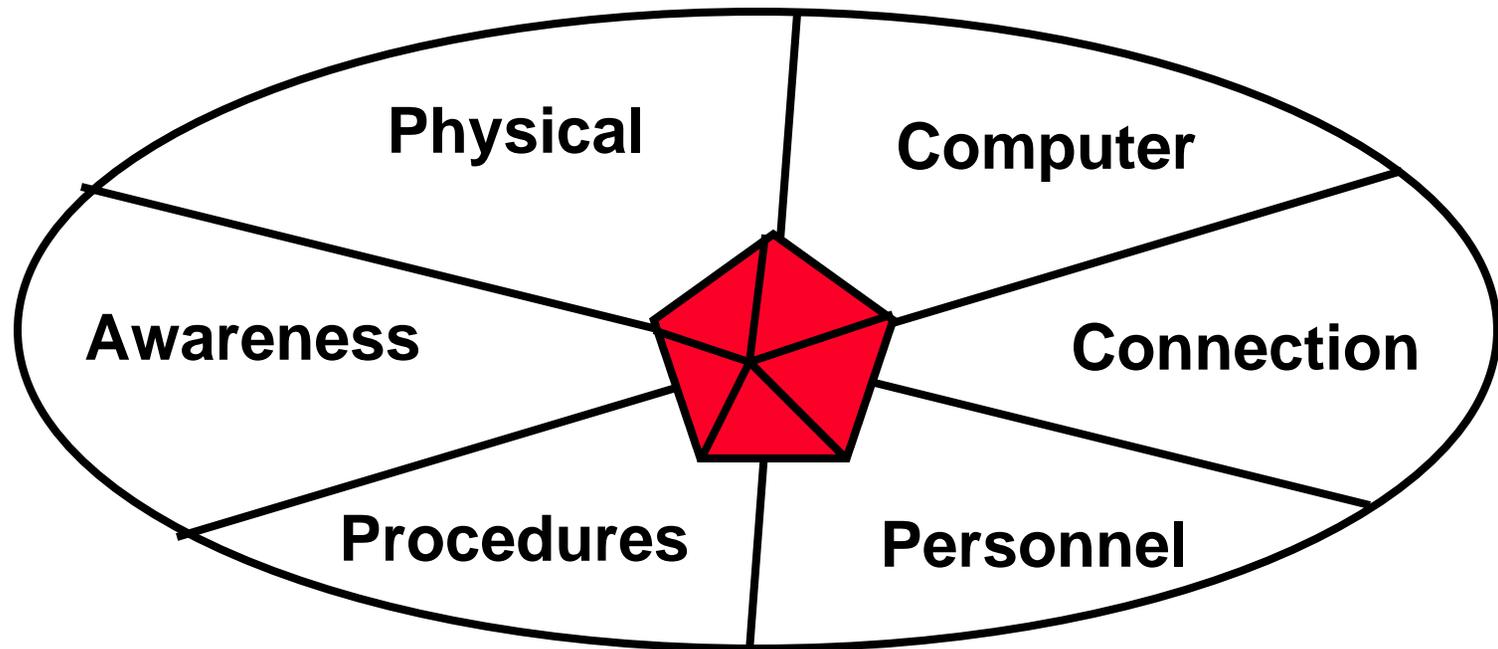
Audience Survey:

- **Loses due to Outsider?**
- **Loses due to Insiders?**
- **Loses due to CS?**

“Fortress” (Circle-based) Security



“Holistic” (Pie-Based) Security

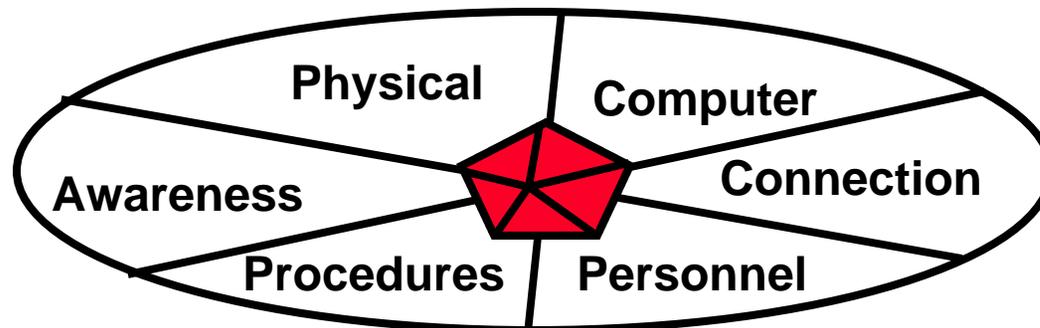


Entry and Departures

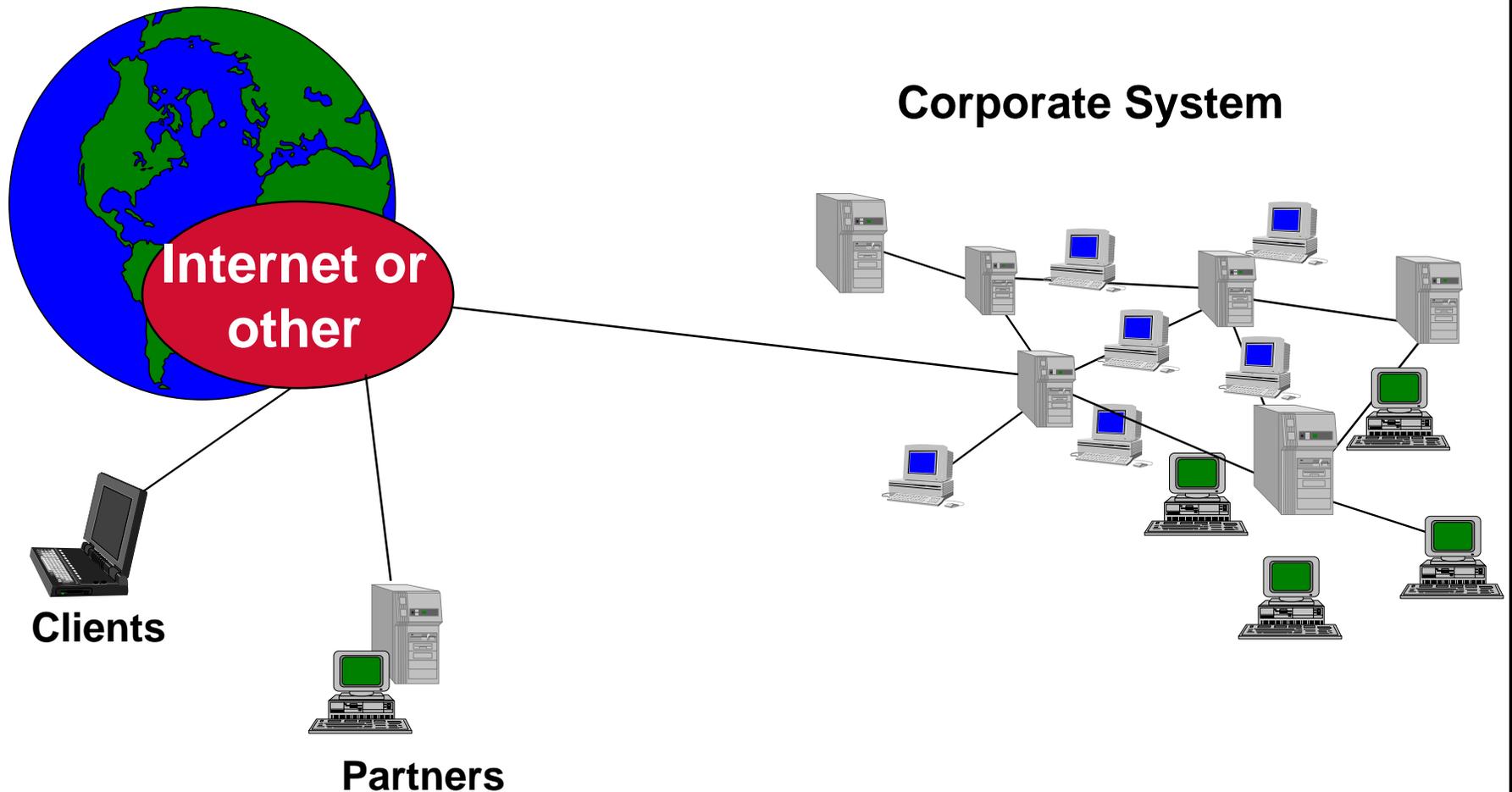
- **Initial entry**
 - Last name and first name
 - Change password on first login
- **Departures**
 - Delete account prior to departure, except.....
- **Audit Results**
 - 67% continued “first name” past anniversary date
- **Personal Experience**
 - Forwarding email continued for months

Attitudes and Perceptions:

- **Sailor-Proof**
 - If it is too hard, they will find away around it.
- **SNMP is the standard**
 - Not a smoking gun a bleeding wound is needed.
- **What is the aspirin for security:**
 - Firewalls, VPN, PKI, IDS,?
 - Technology will solve all of our problems!
 - Email monitoring problem solution was policy.



Typical Evolving Network



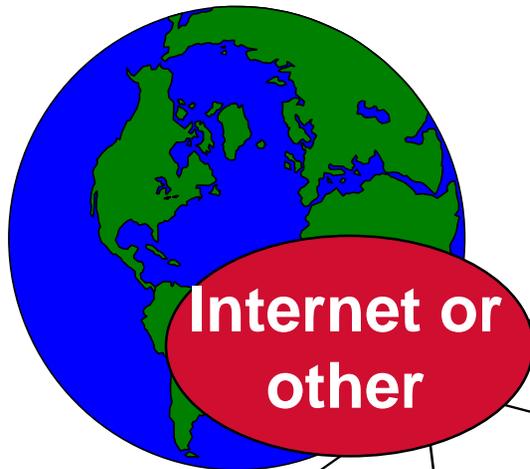
Business/Security Requirements

Transaction System

Availability
Confidentiality
Integrity
Authentication

Promotional Web Server

Integrity



Internet or other

82% required no additional security products



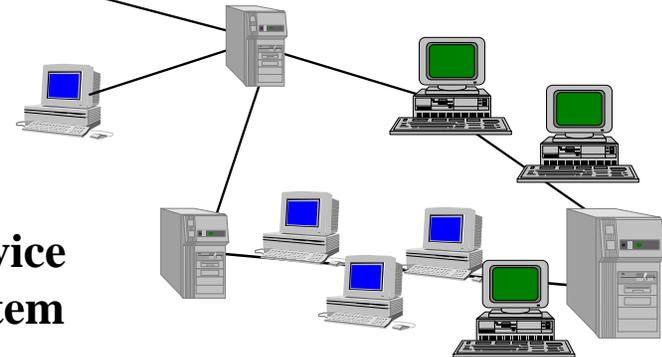
Clients

Availability
Browser
Impatient



Partners

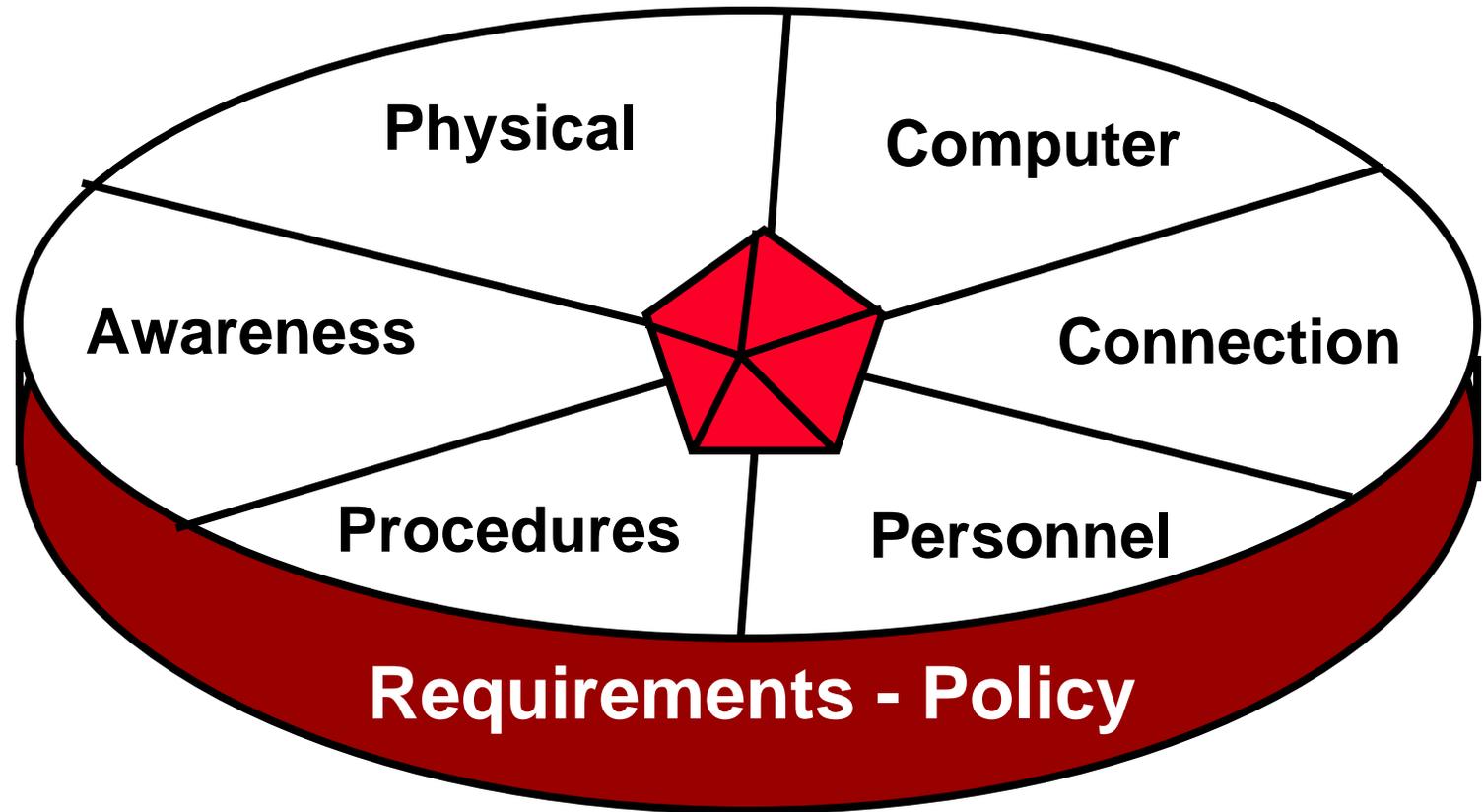
Confidentiality
Visibility



Service System

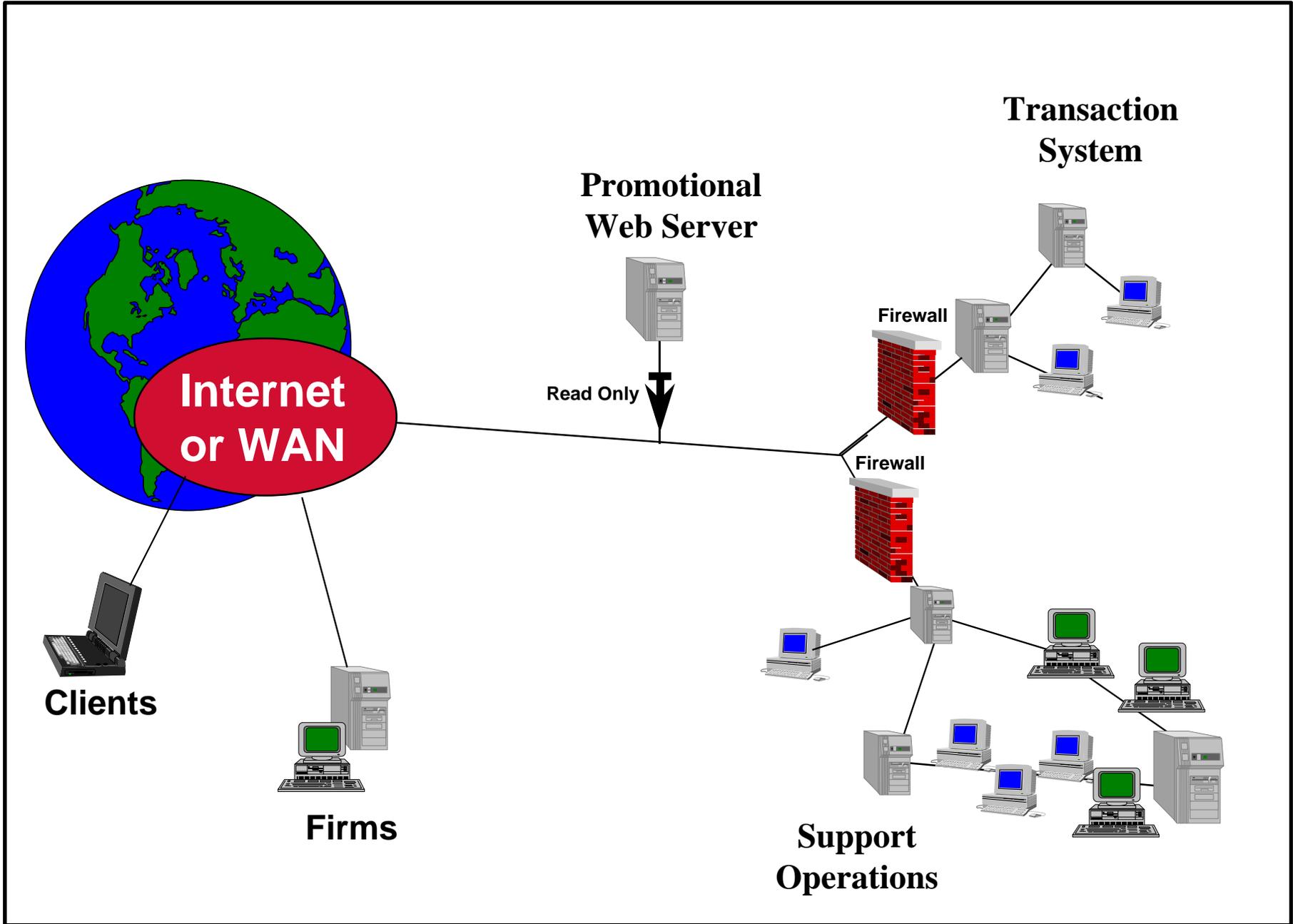
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Productivity

Policy and Senior Management Support



A firewall is just a door.....Right?

- **50+ complex firewalls for deployment**
 - Cost: $50+ \times \$50,000 = \$2.5M$
- **3 large government contractors**
- **How are they to be configured?**
 - “Configured? It is a firewall.”
- **Policy?**
 - What do you think the Commanding Officer wants?
 - Policy developed by contractors in 20 minutes.
- **Results?**



Black Box or Crystal Box?

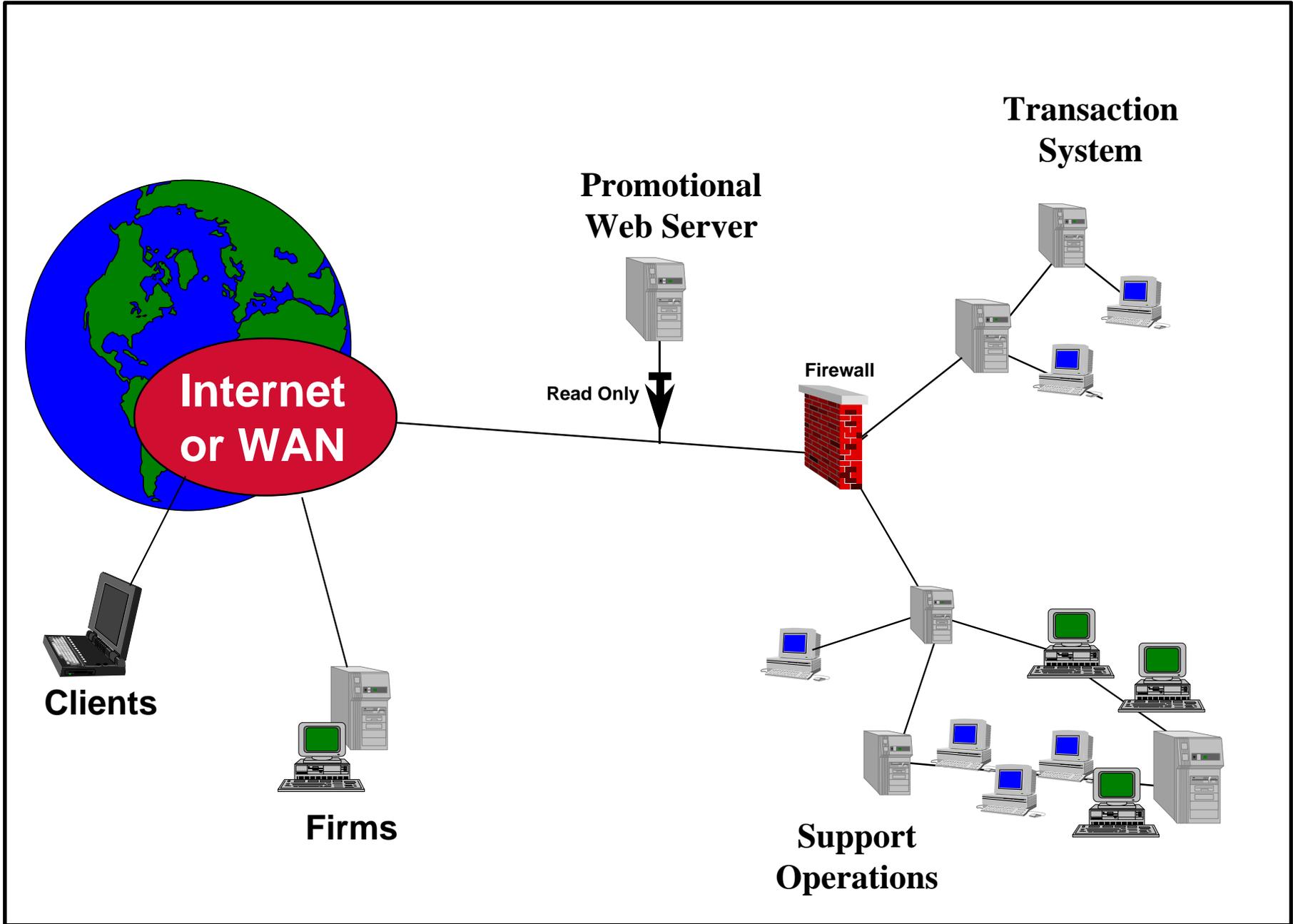
- **Crypto algorithms**
 - DES and RSA
 - Proprietary
- **Firewalls**
 - UNIX
 - NT
- **Awareness**
 - KISS
 - Responsible employees

What and who do we trust? Why?

- **Orange Book or Common Criteria**
- **ICSA**
- **NSA**
- **NIST**
- **Market Share or GUI**
- **Stock price**
- **Guarantee**
- **PKI agent or Bank or**

KISS - Keep InfoSec Simple

- **Firewall is based on simplicity**
 - Harden O/S
 - Tight and concise code
- **Good and Bad news**
 - Firewalls have lots of capabilities
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- **Meet “requirement” not the “desirables” or the “potentials”**
 - Cost impact
 - Complexity impact - vulnerabilities and cost



Authentication

- **Something that you know:**

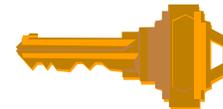
- PIN or combination
- Password
- Procedure

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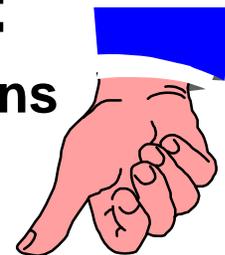
- **Something that you have:**

- Badge or ID
- ATM or Credit card
- Token

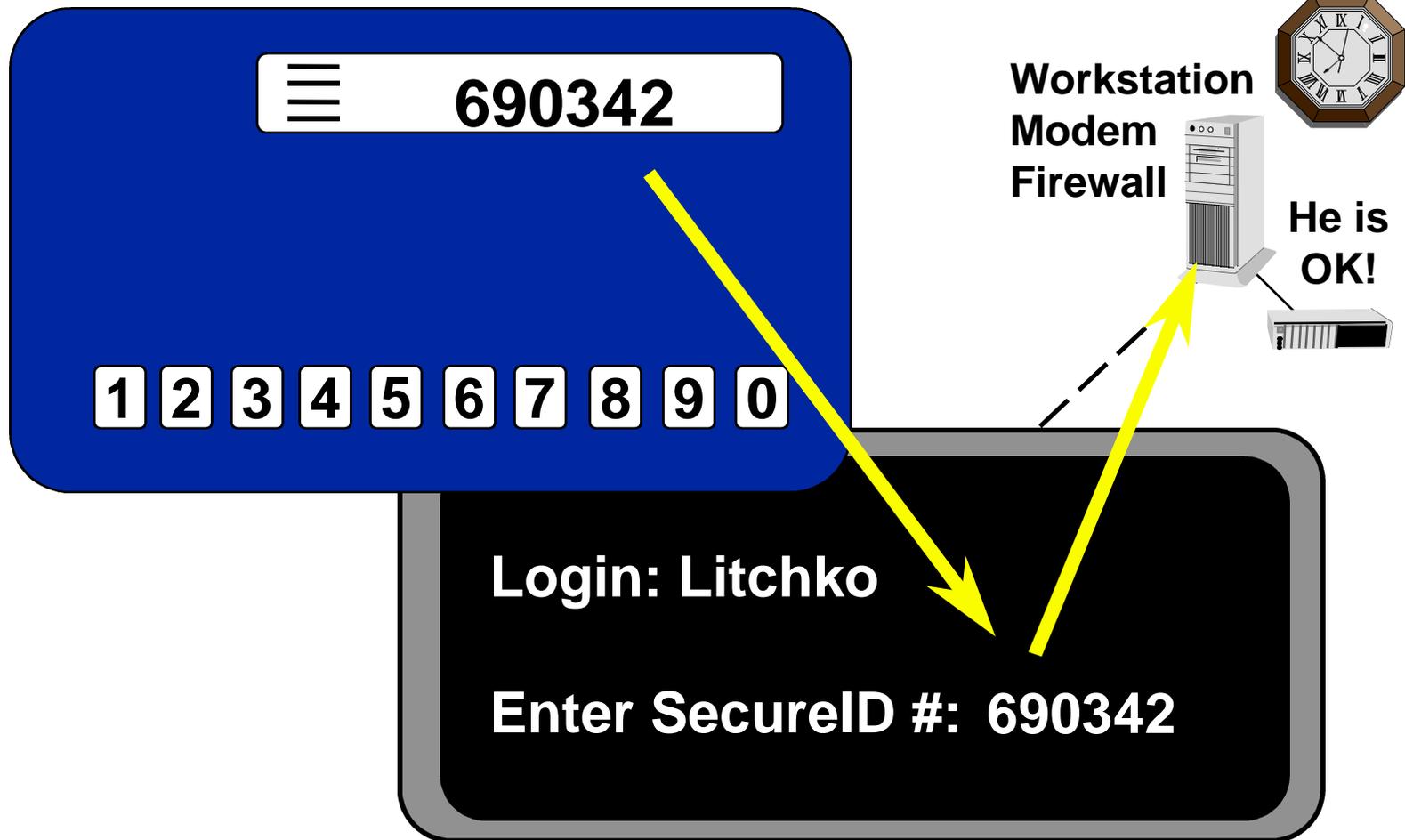


- **Something that you are:**

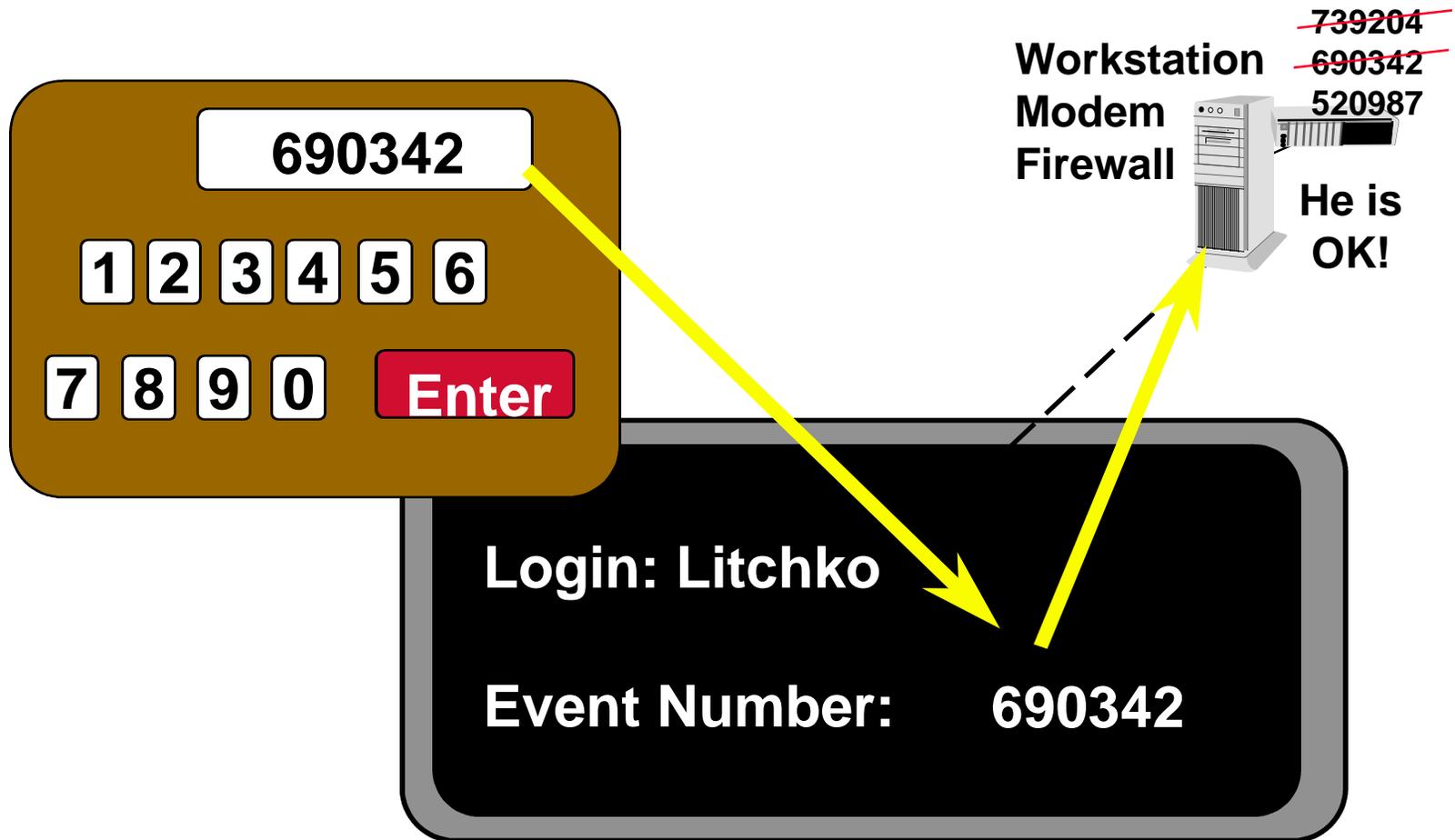
- Finger prints and retina patterns
- Voice pattern and weight
- Signature



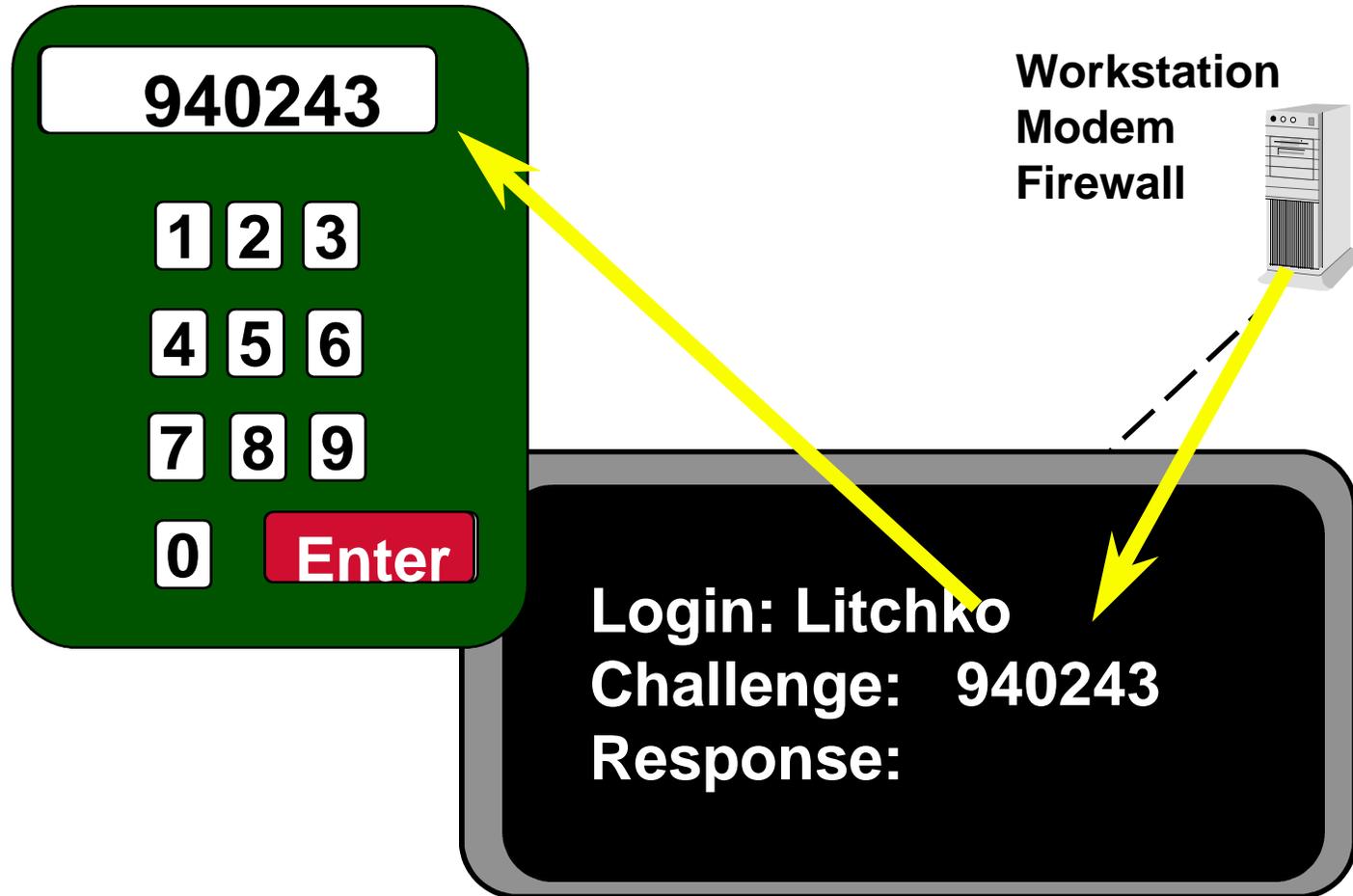
Password Token..... time based.



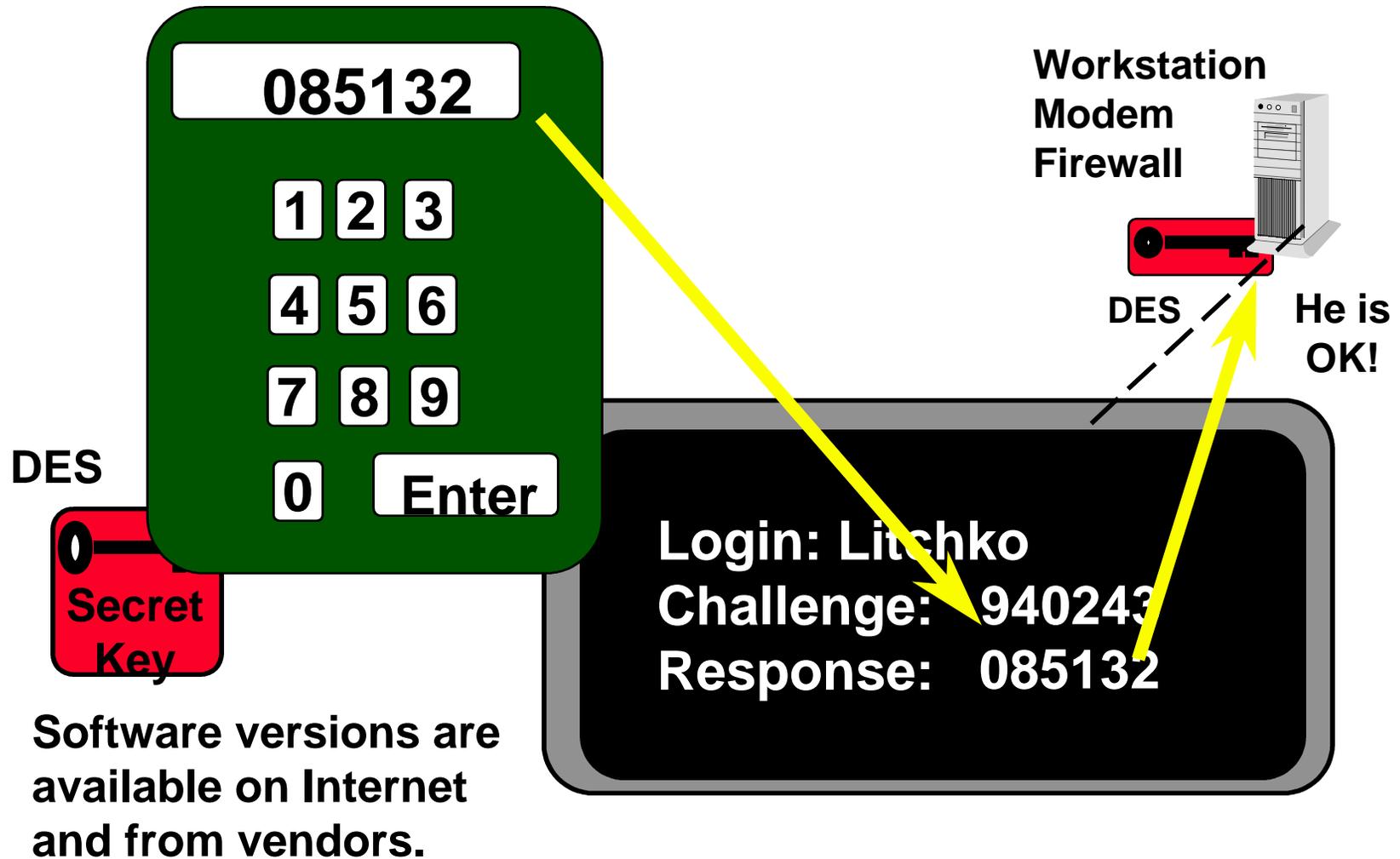
Password Token..... event based.



Challenge-Response . . . in a token.



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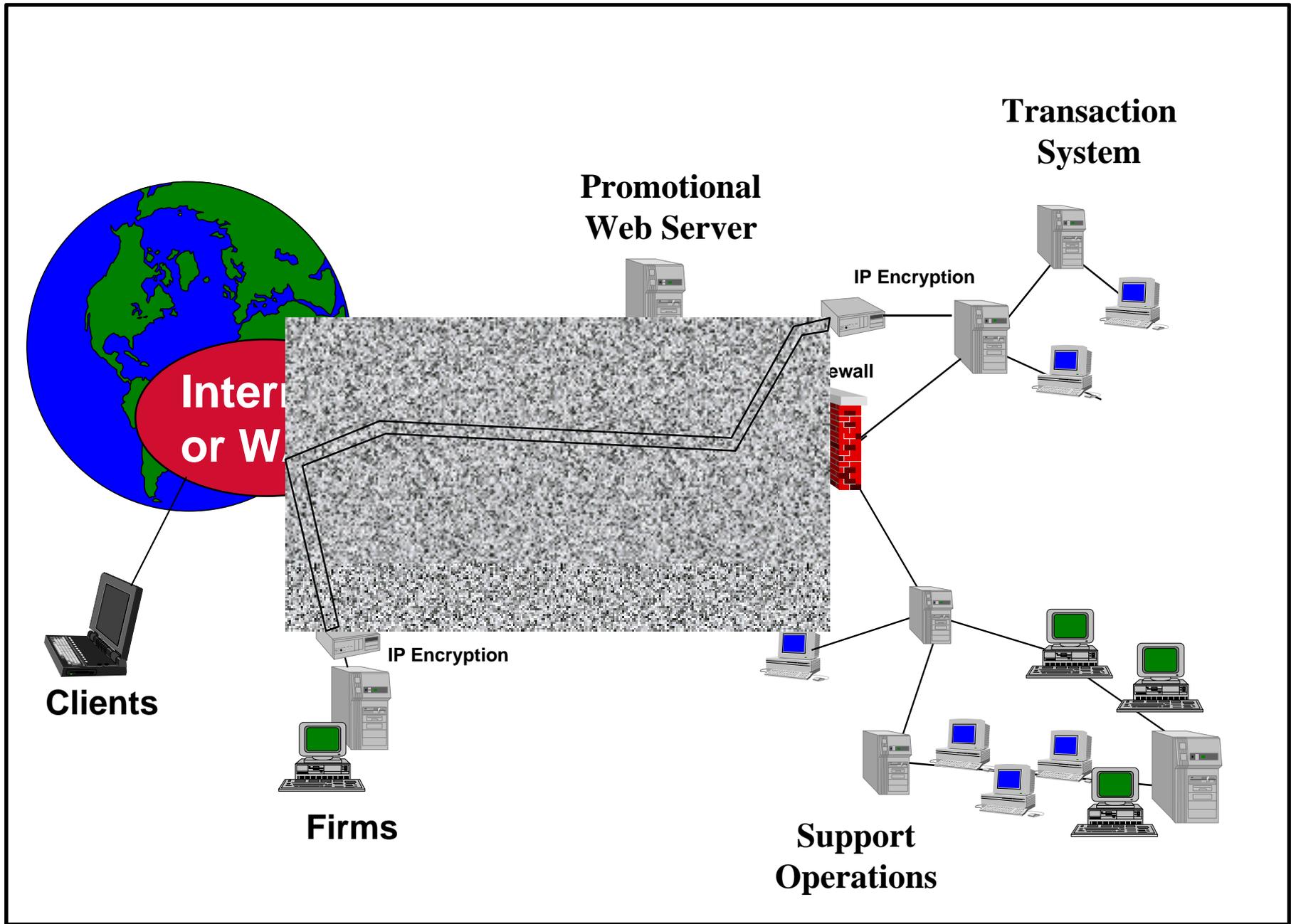


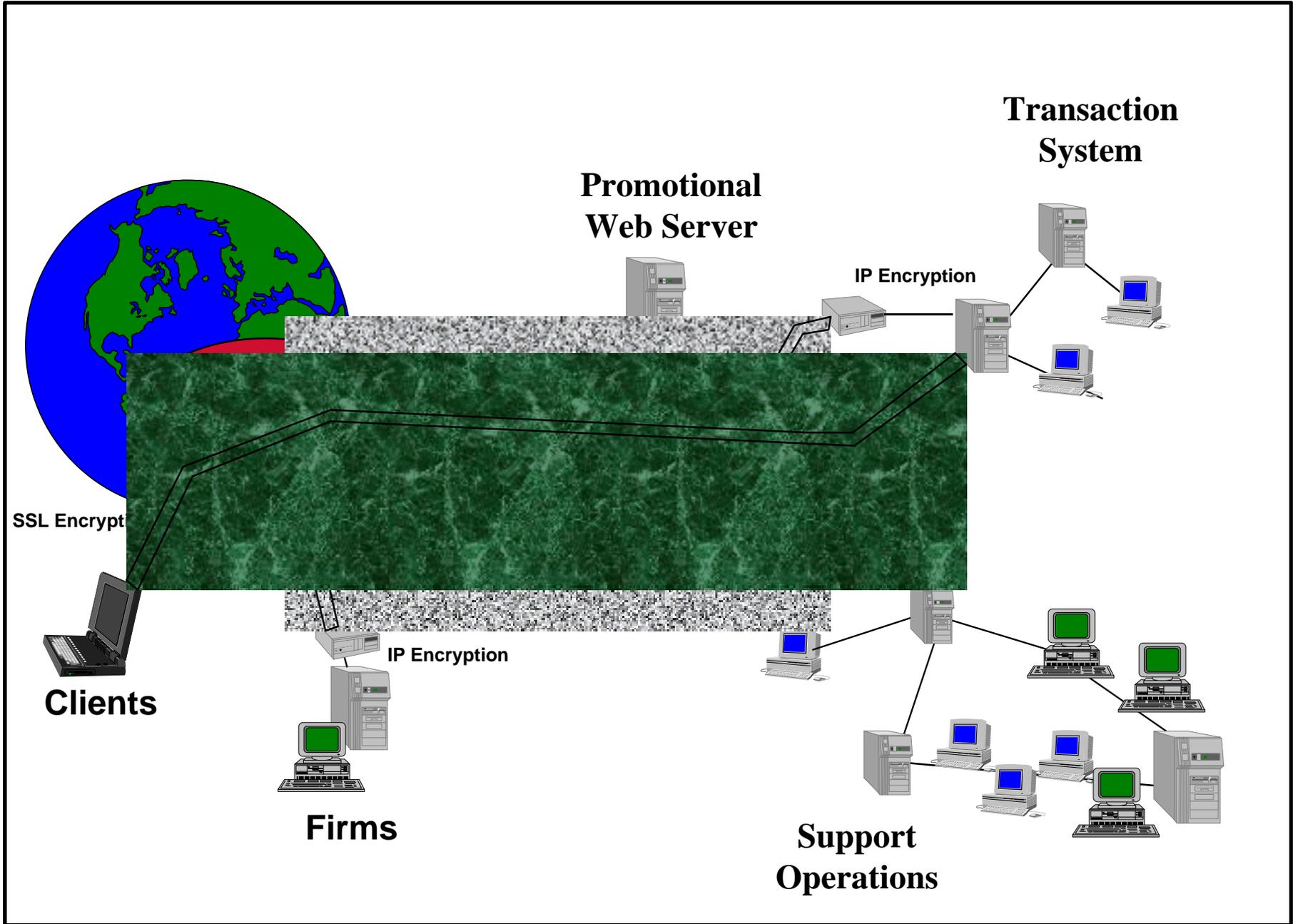
Problem

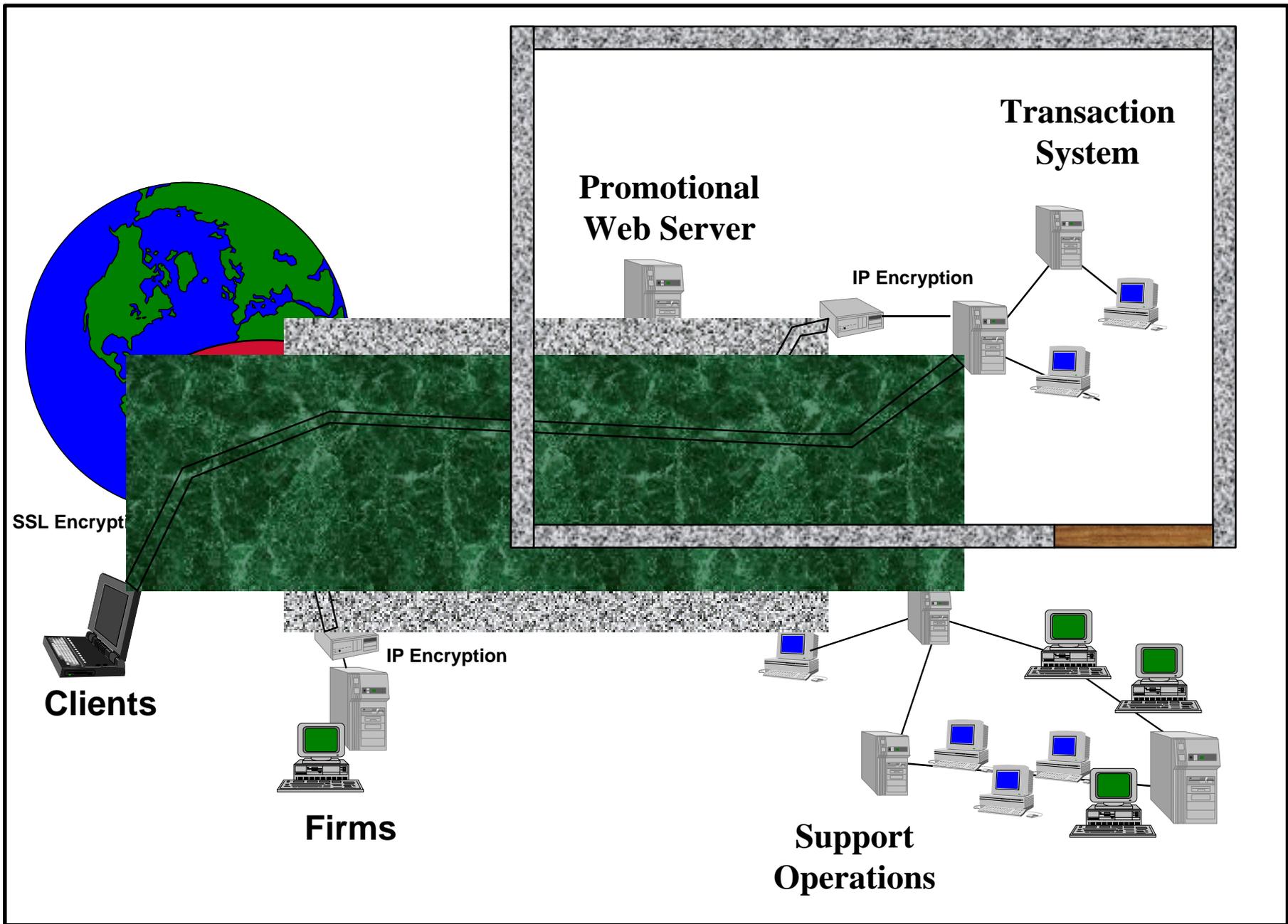
- **Subscription Information Service Provider**
- **Web site distribution**
- **Computer illiterate users**
- **Sharing passwords**
- **\$40,000 loss per month**
- **What is the solution?**

PKI is for everyone.....is it?

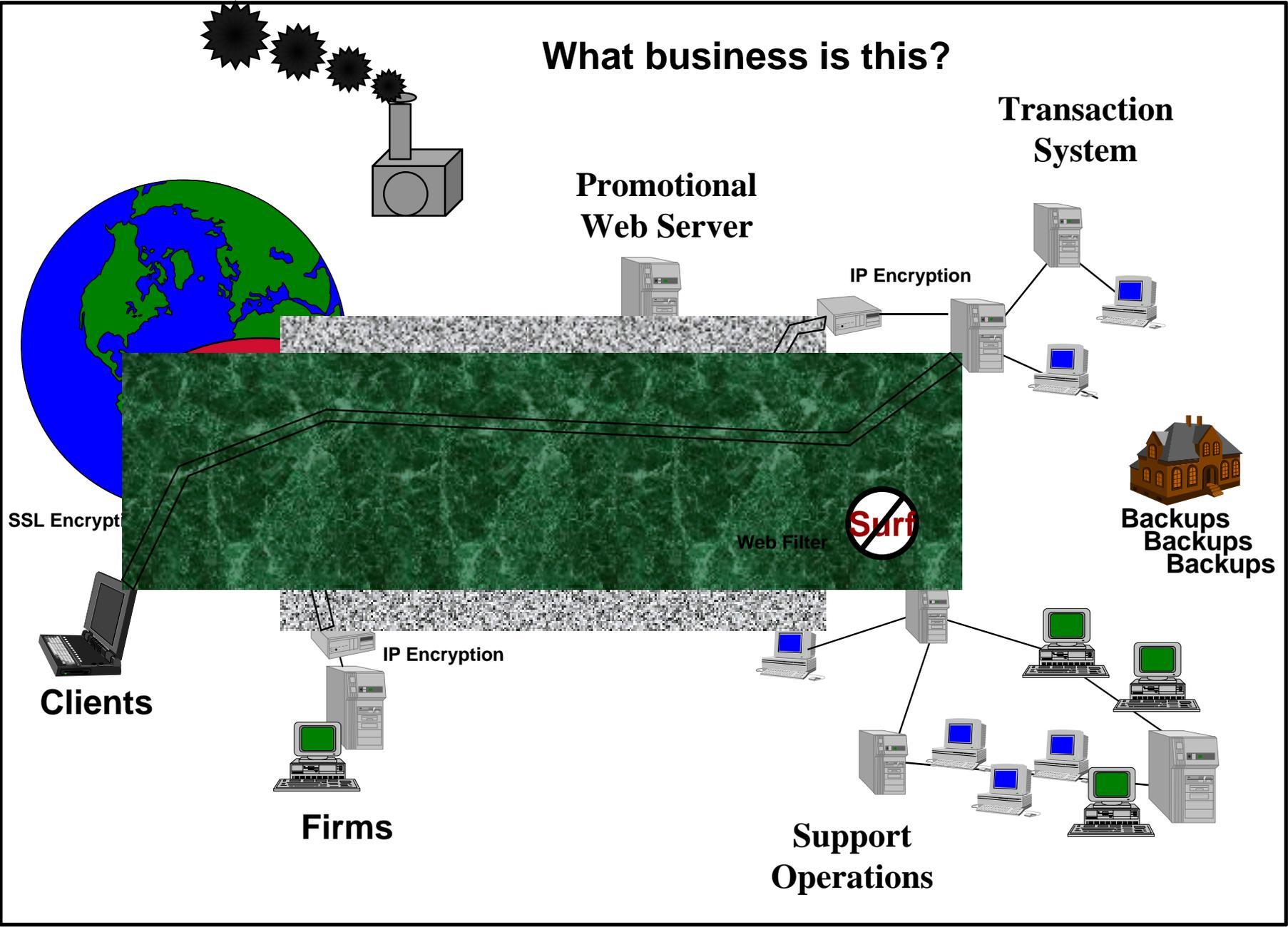
- **PKI is “The solution for security”**
- **Everyone needs a “private key”**
 - Authentication - all
 - Signature - some
- **Who will be my Certification Authority?**
 - Verisign, GTE, NSA,
 - Bank
 - Mom
 - Me
- **Why?**







What business is this?



Summary

- **Based security on business first**
- **Practical solutions, not just technical**
- **Security is a business risk**

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